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1. MARCH 5 CONSULTATIONS ON CYPRUS CENTERED ON REVISED UK/FRENCH DRAFT RESOLUTION REPORTED REFTEL. WHILE NON-ALIGNED AGREED TO TEXT WITH MINOR CHANGES AND CYPRIOTS WERE NON-COMMITTAL, TURKS CONTINUED TO EXPRESS STRONG OPPOSITION TO ESTABLISHMENT OF SC GROUP.

2. TURKISH DELEGATES INDICATED THAT THEY HAD RECEIVED FRESH INSTRUCTIONS (PRESUMABLY IN RESPONSE TO OLCAY'S REQUEST FOR FLEXIBILITY - REFTEL) REAFFIRMING ANKARA'S OPPOSITION TO ANY SC MISSION, NO MATTER HOW RESTRICTED ITS ROLE. TURKISH MINISTER TOLD US FLATLY THAT TURKISH SIDE
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WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT RETURN TO CUMMUNAL TALKS IF TEXT ALONG

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LINES OF UK/FRENCH DRAFT WERE ADOPTED.

3. BY TIME BRITISH AND FRENCH HELD THEIR CONSULTATIONS
WITH NON-ALIGNED, TURKS HAD MADE THEIR VIEWS KNOWN
TO SC NON-ALIGNED MEMBERS SYMPATHETIC TO THEM. CONSENSUS
EMERGED AT THIS MEETING THAT BRACKETED LANGUAGE RELATING
TO SC GROUP SHOULD BE DELETED FROM DRAFT; TURKS WOULD THEN
BE PRESENTED WITH NEW TEXT AS FARTHEST EUROPEANS AND NON-ALIGNED
WERE PREPARED TO GO IN MEETING TURKISH DEMANDS. AT DAY'S
END, UK HAD PRODUCED NEW DRAFT WITHOUT BRACKETED LANGUAGE,
AND WERE PREPARING TO HAND IT TO PARTIES AS THEIR LAST EFFORT.

4. COMMENT: IF ITS PROVES IMPOSSIBLE TO OBTAIN ACQUIESCENCE
OF BOTH TURKEY AND CYPRUS TO A TEXT, WE DO NOT BELIEVE
EITHER EUROPEANS OR NON-ALIGNED WILL PRESS FORWARD WITH
A RESOLUTION. THIS IS DUE PARTLY TO MOST MEMBERS' UN-
WILLINGNESS TO JEOPARDIZE NEGOTATIONS BY PUSHING THROUGH
TEXT THAT COULW CAUSE RUPTURE OF TALKS, AND PARTLY TO
ASSESSMENT THAT NO RESOLUTION UNACCEPTABLE TO EITHER
SIDE WOULD BE LIKELY TO OBTAIN NINE AFFIRMATIVE VOTES.
IF SC DOES NOT ADOPT A RESOLUTION, TURKEY OF COURSE EMERGES
THE WINNER -- A FACT WHICH GREATLY REDUCES LEVERAGE ON
TURKEY TO ACCEPT ANYTHING IT DOES NOT LIKE.

5. SC PRESIDENT HAS CALLED FOR INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF SC
AS A GROUP MORNING MARCH 6, TO BE FOLLOWED IN AFTERNOON BY
MEETING IF GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE RESOLUTION HAS BEEN AGREED
UPON.

6. HIGHLIGHTS OF MARCH 5 DEBATE BEING REPORTED BY UNCLASSIFIED
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